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S.B. No. 747

AN ACT

relating to permitting certain students who are graduates of the Reynaldo G. Garza School of Law to take the examination for a license to practice law in this state and to the licensing of persons who were enrolled at unaccredited schools of law.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 82, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 82.0241 to read as follows:

Sec. 82.0241. GARZA SCHOOL OF LAW: TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a) A person who was enrolled at the Reynaldo G. Garza School of Law located in the City of Edinburg before June 1, 1989, and who satisfies the law study requirements for taking the examination for a license to practice law in this state before June 1, 1993, may not be denied licensing solely on the basis of having been graduated from that school.

- (b) The Reynaldo G. Garza School of Law shall provide written notice of this temporary provision to each person who is enrolled or was enrolled at the school at any time.
 - (c) This section expires June 1, 1993.

SECTION 2. Effective June 1, 1993, Subchapter B, Chapter 82, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 82.0241 to read as follows:

Sec. 82.0241. UNACCREDITED SCHOOLS OF LAW. All matters relating to licensing of persons who were enrolled at unaccredited schools of law in this state are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of Texas.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on April 30, 1991: Yeas 31, Nays 0; the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 26, 1991: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House, with amendment, on May 23, 1991: Yeas 139, Nays 3, one present not voting.

Approved June 12, 1991.

Effective June 12, 1991, and as provided in § 2 of this Act.